IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

- (Currently amended) A mileage communication system for a vehicle comprising:
 a user interface device capable of generating a request signal;
- a processing unit for controlling an on-board system of the vehicle, the processing unit capable of calculating cumulative mileage of the vehicle and encoding the cumulative mileage into a code in response to the request signal; and

an output device in circuit communication with the processing unit and capable of communicating the cumulative mileage in the form of a sensory signal in response to the code, wherein the code is an ON-OFF code and the signal is an ON-OFF signal.

- 2. (Canceled)
- 3. (Original) The mileage communication system of claim 1, wherein the processing unit is capable of truncating the cumulative mileage prior to generating the code.
- 4. (Original) The mileage communication system of claim 1, wherein the output device comprises a visual output device.
- 5. (Original) A mileage communication system of claim 4, wherein the visual output device comprises a trailer ABS warning light.
- 6. (Original) The mileage communication system of claim 1, wherein the output device comprises an audible output device.
- 7. (Original) A mileage system of claim 6, wherein the audible output device comprises an ABS modulator valve.
- 8. (Currently amended) A method for communicating vehicle mileage information to a vehicle operator comprising:

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calculating cumulative mileage of the vehicle;

generating a request signal with a user interface device;

encoding the cumulative mileage into a code by an electronic control unit that controls an on-board system of the vehicle; and

outputting the cumulative mileage in the form of a sensory signal by an output device in response to the code generated by the electronic control unit,

wherein the code is an ON-OFF code and the signal is an ON-OFF signal.

9. (Canceled)

- 10. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the electronic control unit truncates the cumulative mileage prior to generating the code.
- 11. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the output device is a visible output device.
- 12. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein the visible output device comprises a trailer ABS warning lamp.
- 13. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the output device is an audible output device.
- 14. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein the audible output device comprises an ABS modulator valve.
- 15. (Currently amended) A mileage communication system for a vehicle comprising; user interface means for generating a request signal;

processing means for calculating the cumulative mileage of the vehicle and encoding the cumulative mileage into a code in response to the request signal, wherein the processing means controls an on-board system of the vehicle; and

sensory output means, responsive to the code generated by the processing means, for outputting the cumulative mileage in the form of a series of pulses.

- 16. (Canceled)
- 17. (Previously presented) The mileage communication system of claim 15, wherein the encoded numeral zero is represented in the series of pulses by a strobe signal.
- 18. (Original) The mileage communication system of claim 15, wherein the processing means truncates the cumulative mileage prior to generating the code.
- 19. (Original) The mileage communication system of claim 15, wherein the output means includes a visible output device.
- 20. (Previously presented) The mileage communication system of claim 19, wherein the visible output means comprises a trailer ABS warning lamp.
- 21. (Original) The mileage communication system of claim 15, wherein the output means comprises an audible output device.
- 22. (Previously presented) The mileage communication system of claim 21, wherein the audible output means comprises an ABS modulator valve.
- 23. (Original) The mileage communication system of claim 15, wherein the vehicle is a trailer.
- 24. (Original) The mileage communication system of claim 15, wherein the user interface means comprises a vehicle brake pedal.